

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER  
AUG 24 2004

IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

OFFICIAL

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant(s): **GARRY Z. GU**

Case: **LCNT/GU 1**

Serial No.: **09/520,677**

Filed: **03/07/2000**

Examiner: **THOMAS E. VOLPER**

Group Art Unit: **2665**

Title: **CREDIT-BASED ADAPTIVE FLOW CONTROL FOR MULTI-STAGE  
MULTI-DIMENSIONAL SWITCHING ARCHITECTURE**

Mail Stop RCE  
COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

S I R:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Introductory Comments**

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted concurrently with an RCE and prior to the examination of the above-identified application. Specifically, new claims 19-36 are submitted for the Examiner's review and approval and arguments addressing the Examiner's position in claims 1-18 in the parent application are included.